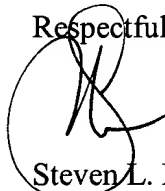


## REMARKS

In response to the Office Communication mailed on September 9, 2003, applicants now provided the deletion of material previously added to the application, which was not indicated as removed in the substitute specification filed on October 3, 2001. Should the examiner have any questions regarding this response, a telephone call to the undersigned is requested.

Please date stamp and return the enclosed postcard as evidence of receipt.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'SLH', enclosed within a circular stamp.

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